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UTILISATION OF CIVIL OFFICERS EXPERTISE IN DEFENCE SERVICE
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Fifth Central Pay Commission in para 63.144 of its report had recommended that 20 posts of Section Officers and 10 posts of Under Secretaries should be filled up by members of the Armed Forces HQ Civil Service in order to utilise the expertise gained by these officers through working in Service Headquarters;

(b) if so, whether these recommendations have since been implemented;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps being taken to gainfully utilise the experience of AFHQ Civil Services Officers in the Ministry of Defence?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b)&(c): These recommendations have not been implemented for reasons as follows: The posts of Section Officers in the Central Secretariat including Ministry of Defence are to be manned by officers of Central Secretariat Service (CSS) only.The posts of Under Secretaries in the Ministry of Defence Secretariat are filled as per the provisions of the Central Staffing Scheme.The Vth Central Pay Commission has also specifically recommended in para 63.144 that the officers of Armed Forces Headquarters (AFHQ) Civil Service should not be allowed to participate in the Central Staffing Scheme.

(d) The Officers of AFHQ Civil Service are being recruited for manning various administrative posts inthe three Defence Service Headquarters and the Inter-Service Organisations under Ministry of Defence and the services of these officers are gainfully utilised at present in these organisations.